an amount of Rs 770 crores for the upgradation/development of city level infrastructures, including road, transport, power, watersupply/ sewerage, health facilities, traffic and security, etc Various other infrastructure development works will be undertaken by the Government of NCT of Delhi under their normal plan.

(d) The specific works, including flyovers, underpasses and other road connectivity projects, will depend on the final allocation of funds by the Planning Commission.

**National-level sports facilities**

†397. SHRI HARISH RAWAT: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) the States where national-level sports facilities like stadium, indoor stadium, swimming pool, shooting range, tennis court, etc. are not available;

(b) whether his Ministry is preparing any special action plan to provide national-level sports facilities in such States; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) 'Sports' being a State subject; information regarding availability or non-availability of such sports infrastructure in the States is not maintained in the Ministry.

(b) and (c) It is primarily the responsibility of State Governments to create sports facilities including stadia, swimming pools, shooting ranges, tennis courts etc Till 31.3.2005, the Ministry was supplementing the efforts of the State Governments for creation of sports facilities by providing Central assistance under the Centrally Sponsored "Sports Infrastructure Scheme" in accordance with the approved pattern subject to the receipt of viable proposals from the State Government. Government, however, decided to transfer the Sports Infrastructure Scheme to the State sector *w.e.f.* 1.4.2005. Thus, fresh cases of Sports Infrastructure projects will have to be funded by State Governments out of their own resources. All State Governments were informed accordingly in February, 2005. As such, the Ministry is not in a position to prepare special action plans for the

†Originai notice of the question was received in Hindi.

provision of national-level sports facilities in States so long as the present decision remains in force.

**Review of preparations for Commonwealth Games**

398. SHRI MAHENDRA MOHAN: Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have reviewed the on-going preparations for hosting the prestigious Commonwealth Games, 2010 in Delhi;

(b) if so, the comprehensive details of each of the various projects taken up for execution, time-frame fixed therefor and their present status; and

(c) the details of the monitoring mechanism established to over-see the state of preparedness on the various projects and events?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Decisions regarding the venues for the 15 disciplines for the Commonwealth Games (already approved), and 3 disciplines proposed/ likely to be included, and for the Games Village, which is to be developed by the DDA, have already been taken. Further action by all the concerned agencies is being closely monitored to ensure that all the required facilities are established well in advance before the Games.

The Government of NCT of Delhi has submitted a proposal for an amount of Rs 770 crores for upgradation/development of the required city level infrastructure including roads, transport, power, water-supply / sewerage, health facilities, traffic and security etc. to the Planning Commission, which is under active consideratien. The State Government of Maharashtra has also submitted a proposal to the Planning Commission for the creation/upgradation of civic infrastructure with reference to the Commonwealth Youth Games-2008 at Pune.

(c) Various institutional arrangements have been made at the level of the Government of India and the Government of Delhi to ensure the proper planning and preparations for organisation of the Commonwealth Games-2010 and their smooth conduct. These include a Core Group of